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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 The present invention provides a lens barrel in which
all of a plurality of lens groups are attached to a leading
cylindrical body, whereas a movable lens group in the
plurality of lens groups is moved by a driving source
incorporated in the leading cylindrical body, whereby the
lens barrel is less likely to be influenced by external forces
and can be made smaller. The lens barrel comprises first,
second, and third cylinders, and first, second, and third
10 lens groups attached to the third cylinder, which is expanded
earliest among the first second, and third cylinders. The
first and third lens groups are fixed to the third cylinder,
whereas the second lens group is disposed between the first
and third lens groups so as to be movable along the optical
15 axis.